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SUBJ : PETROLEUM: PRODUCTION 25 PERCENT BELOW CAPACITY

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1. INDUSTRY STATISTICS JUST RELEASED SHOW NIGERIAN CRUDE OIL

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PRODUCTION AVERAGED ONLY SLIGHTLY ABOVE 1.8 MILLION BARRELS PER DAY

IN FEBRUARY FOR THE LOWEST MONTHLY PRODUCTION RATE
SINCE JUNE 1972.

2. THE FOLLOWING TABLE SHOWS PROVISIONAL PRODUCTION RATES FOR
SHELL-BP, AGIP/PHILLIPS, ELF AND FINAL FIGURES FOR GULFAND
MOBIL IN FEBRUARY TOGETHER WITH FINAL, REVISED FIGURES FOR ALL
COMPANIES IN JANUARY:

COMPANY	JANUARY PRODUCTION	FEBRUARY PRODUCTION
SHELL-BP	1,314,912	1,223,000
GULF	226,916	228,144
MOBIL	196,484	109,153
AGIP/PHILLIPS	166,911	166,200
ELF	79,437	76,000
TEXACO/CHEVRON	0	0
ALL COMPANIES	1,984,660	1,802,497

3. WHEREAS NIGERIAN PRODUCTIVE CAPACITY CLOSE TO 2.4 MILLION B/D,
FEBRUARY PRODUCTION WAS ONLY SOME 75 PERCENT OF CAPACITY. SHELL-BP
AND GULF PRODUCTION RESTRICTED FOR REASONS REPORTED PREVIOUSLY.
MOBIL WAS SHUT-IN 15 DAYS DURING FEBRUARY TO REPAIR PIPELINE BREAK.

4. CRUDE EXPORTS AVERAGED AN EWTIMATED 1,837,044 B/D DURING FEBRUARY.

ONLY AN AVERAGE 1,845 B/D DELIVERED TO REFINERY BECAUSE IT WAS
SHUT-DOWN FOR ROUTINE MAINTENANCE.
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